

Testimony of Brian Corbino in opposition to **Governor's Bill No. 16: *AN ACT ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE CRIME.***

Honorable Representatives and Senators of the Judiciary Committee:

I write to you today to express my strong opposition to Governor's Bill No. 16: *AN ACT ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE CRIME.*

This 52 page, 35 section omnibus bill is an outrageous example of everything wrong with the legislative process today. There are two sections, at the beginning and end of this bill, that pertain in any way to gun violence and four near the end concerning juveniles. Twenty-eight of the remaining twenty-nine sections do nothing but harass, impose upon, and criminalize peaceful gun owners and sellers.

This bill is every gun control group's wish list of ineffective, irrelevant, and illegal impositions upon people who have done nothing wrong. There are many Constitutional violations in this bill. The State of Connecticut is going to end up wasting millions of taxpayers' dollars defending it, as it is dismantled by every court it encounters.

The moment this bill is signed, it will create thousands of instant criminals out of people who until the moment before the ink met the paper possessed perfectly legal firearms, and to what end?

Doing something about the rampant crime created by this legislatures' failed policies is important. Using "gun violence" as a pretense to attack the least criminal group of people in the state is an insult.

Oppose this bill. Do not release it to the floor for consideration.

With kind regards,

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